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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

Hofstetter et al.

Serial No. 09/529,784

Art Unit: 1732

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Examiner: G. Shippides

For: **METHOD FOR PRODUCING MULTI-LAYERED PREFORMS**

**AFFIRMATION OF ELECTION**  
**AND**  
**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of March 26, 2002. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire June 26, 2002. A petition for a two month extension of time and requisite fee are submitted herewith extending the period for response to August 26, 2002.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding election requirement, objections and rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above captioned application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Please amend claims 13-22 as shown in Attachment "A" hereto.